



## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

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#### NEW DIRECTOR NAMED FOR FEDERAL FISHERY POST IN ALASKA

The appointment of Harry L. Rietze as Regional Director for the Bureau of Commercial Fisheries, Fish and Wildlife Service, in Alaska, was announced today by Assistant Secretary of the Interior Ross Leffler.

Mr. Rietze replaces John T. Gharrett, who was recently transferred to Gloucester, Massachusetts, as Regional Director for the Bureau's North Atlantic Region.

Mr. Rietze joined the Bureau in Alaska in 1958. Prior to that time he was employed with the Oregon State Fish Commission and was in charge of Columbia River Investigations. In 1958, Mr. Rietze was appointed Assistant Regional Director for the Bureau of Commercial Fisheries' Alaska Region and he has served in this capacity since that time.

A graduate of the School of Fisheries, University of Washington, Mr. Rietze is a member of Pacific Fisheries Biologist Association and the American Academy for the Advancement of Science. During World War II he attended the U. S. Coast Guard Academy and served as an officer in that service. He and his wife and two children now make their home in Juneau, Alaska.

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